

33. An image display apparatus according to claim 32, wherein said see-through optical element is cemented to said ocular optical system.

34. An image display apparatus according to claim 31, wherein said third surface of said ocular optical system has a concave surface directed toward said image display device.--

REMARKS

This is a divisional application of Application No. 08/959,285 filed October 24, 1997 (the "'285 Application").

Claims 11 through 34 are pending, with Claims 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, and 31 being independent. Claims 1 through 10 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 11 through 34 have been added. The title has been amended.

The specification has been amended.

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon Japanese Priority Application Nos. 6-130301 filed June 13, 1994, 6-204268 filed August 5, 1994, and 6-336063 filed December 22, 1994, and respectfully request acknowledgment of this claim and of receipt of the certified copies of the priority documents, which were filed September 14, 1995, in the '285 Application.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.607(c)

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.607(c), the Examiner is respectfully advised that newly added Claims 11 through 34 have been copied exactly or in modified form from Claims 13, 14, 16, and 17 of U.S. Patent No. 5,768,024 to Koichi Takahashi (Takahashi '024), issued on June 16, 1998, and assigned to Olympus Optical Co., Ltd. Applicants have copied the claims from Takahashi '024 for the purpose of provoking an interference with that patent. Support for the copied claims and the identification of a proposed count for the interference will be submitted in a separate Request for Interference which will be filed in due course. In the meantime, if the Examiner reaches this case for action prior to receipt of the Request for Interference, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned before acting on the subject application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



Attorney for Applicants

Registration No. 37,838

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-3801
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200
F504\W184486\DSG